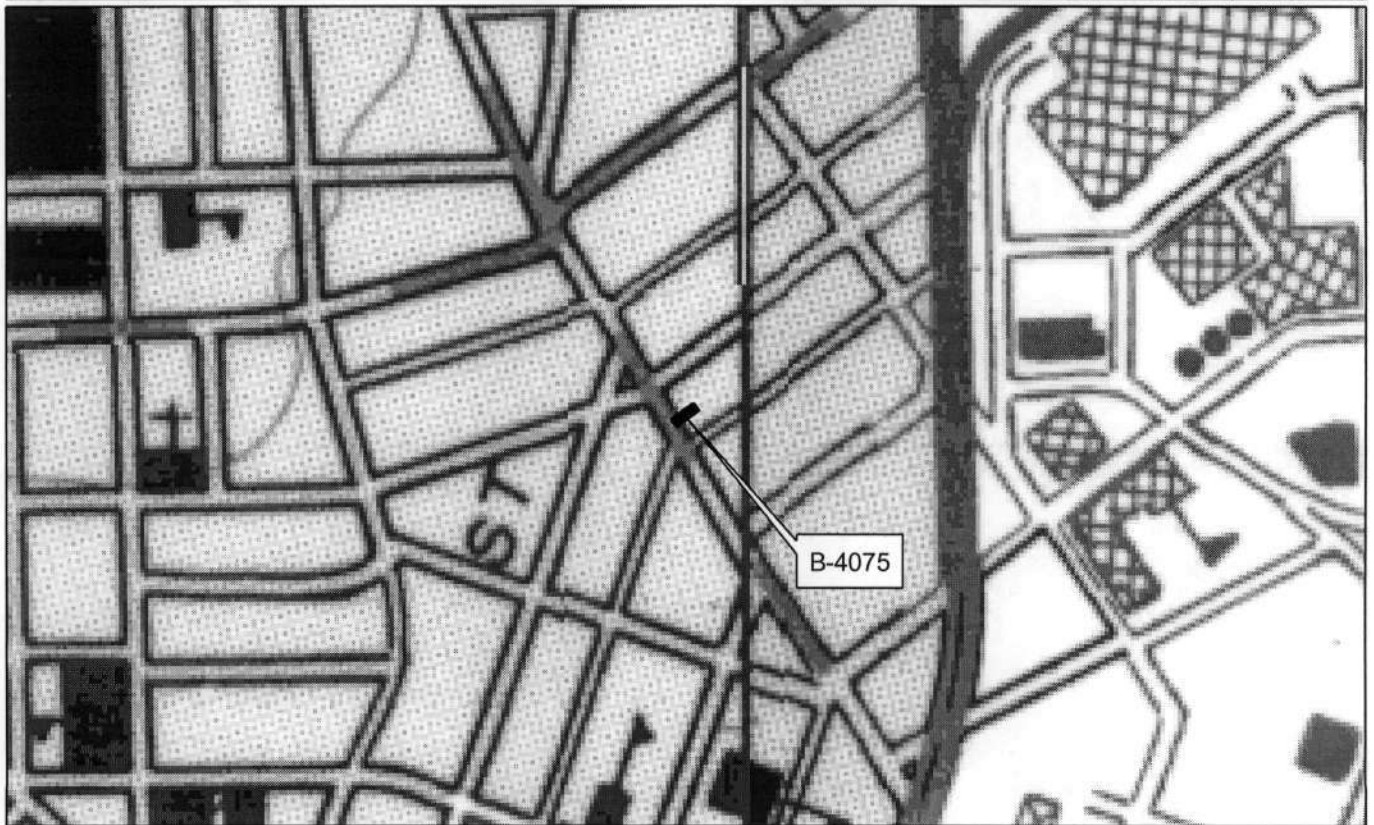


B-4075  
605 S. Fremont Ave  
Block 861 Lot 036  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore West Quad.



NATION, PARK SERVICE  
Washington D.C. 20240B- 4075  
MAGI# 0440752504HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION  
APPLICATION—PART 1

Instructions: Applicant should read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification may be made unless a completed application form has been received. Use typewriter or print clearly in dark ink to complete the application form. If additional space is needed to complete Part 1, use the reverse side or a separate plain sheet of paper clearly indicating the owner's name and mailing address. Part 1 of this application may be completed and sent to the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer at anytime during the year.

## PART 1 EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

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1. Name of property: N/AAddress of property: 605 S. Fremont AvenueMARYLAND HISTORICAL  
TRUSTCity Baltimore

County \_\_\_\_\_

State MDZip Code 21230

Name of historic district in which property is located:

Ridgely's Delight

Check here if request is for:

☒ certification (structure contributes to significance of the district)☐ decertification (structure does not contribute to significance of the district)☐ easement qualification (for donation of easement on structure or land for conservation purposes).

2. Description of Physical Appearance:

(see instructions for map and photograph requirements—use reverse side if necessary)

605 S. Fremont Avenue (formerly Cove Street) is a brick, 2½ story interior row unit. The front facade of this residential home (circa 1840) faces west.

3. Statement of Significance:

(use reverse side if necessary)

(cont. on reverse)

The significance of 605 S. Fremont Avenue as a historic residence lies in the fact that it is an integral part of the Ridgely's Delight historic district. Ridgely's Delight has been certified as eligible for listing in (cont. on reverse)

Date of construction (if known): c. 1840 ☒ Original site ☐ Moved ☐ Date of alterations (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name and Mailing Address of Owner:

Name John William Eckholdt and Diane S. EckholdtStreet 4303 Manorwood DriveCity Glen ArmState MDZip Code 21057Telephone number (during day): Area Code (301) 665-4181

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I am owner of the property described above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date 4-10-94

Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number

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The structure described above is included within the boundaries of a Registered Historic District and ☒ contributes ☐ does not contribute to the character of the district.The structure ☐ appears ☐ does not appear to meet National Register Criteria for Evaluation (36 CFR 60.6) and ☐ will likely ☐ will not be nominated to the National Register in accord with the Department of the Interior procedures (36 CFR 60).The structure is located in a district which ☐ appears ☐ does not appear to meet National Register Criteria for Evaluation (36 CFR 60.6) and ☐ will likely ☐ will not be nominated to the National Register in accord with Department of the Interior procedures (36 CFR 60) and ☐ appears ☐ does not appear to contribute to the character of said district or ☐ will likely ☐ will not be recommended for certification as substantially meeting National Register criteria.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

State Historic Preservation Officer

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PART I #2

Originally, the building had a one story section in the rear but this part of structure is not present. The roof of the house is "A" pitched and is covered asphalt shingles. It is in good condition. The original chimney was in deteriorating condition.

The front facade has a brick cornice. There are two windows on both the second and third stories. The first story has one window and there is a small basement window. The window sashes are missing, but the sills and lintels are intact. The door, steps and transom are missing.

The building has been stripped of most of its woodwork, doors and other trim.\* Rehabilitation was started on the house before the certification process had begun so there are few "before" pictures. However, the condition of the house is comparable to the other shells on the block.

On the first floor, there are stairs on the north wall in the rear of the building. The steps face the rear of the building and are in poor condition. The second floor consists of one open area, as does the loft. Partition walls have been demolished. Plumbing was in the rear section of the building that has been demolished.

\*It should be noted that this property was, at one time, owned by a developer who had started renovation.

An engineering report documenting these conditions is forthcoming.

PART I #3

the Federal Historic Register and has already been certified as a municipal historic district.

Originally, the area of Ridgely's Delight sprang up around a Susquehanna Indian trail. Early settlers stamped a path through the area that connected it to the colonies to the north and south.

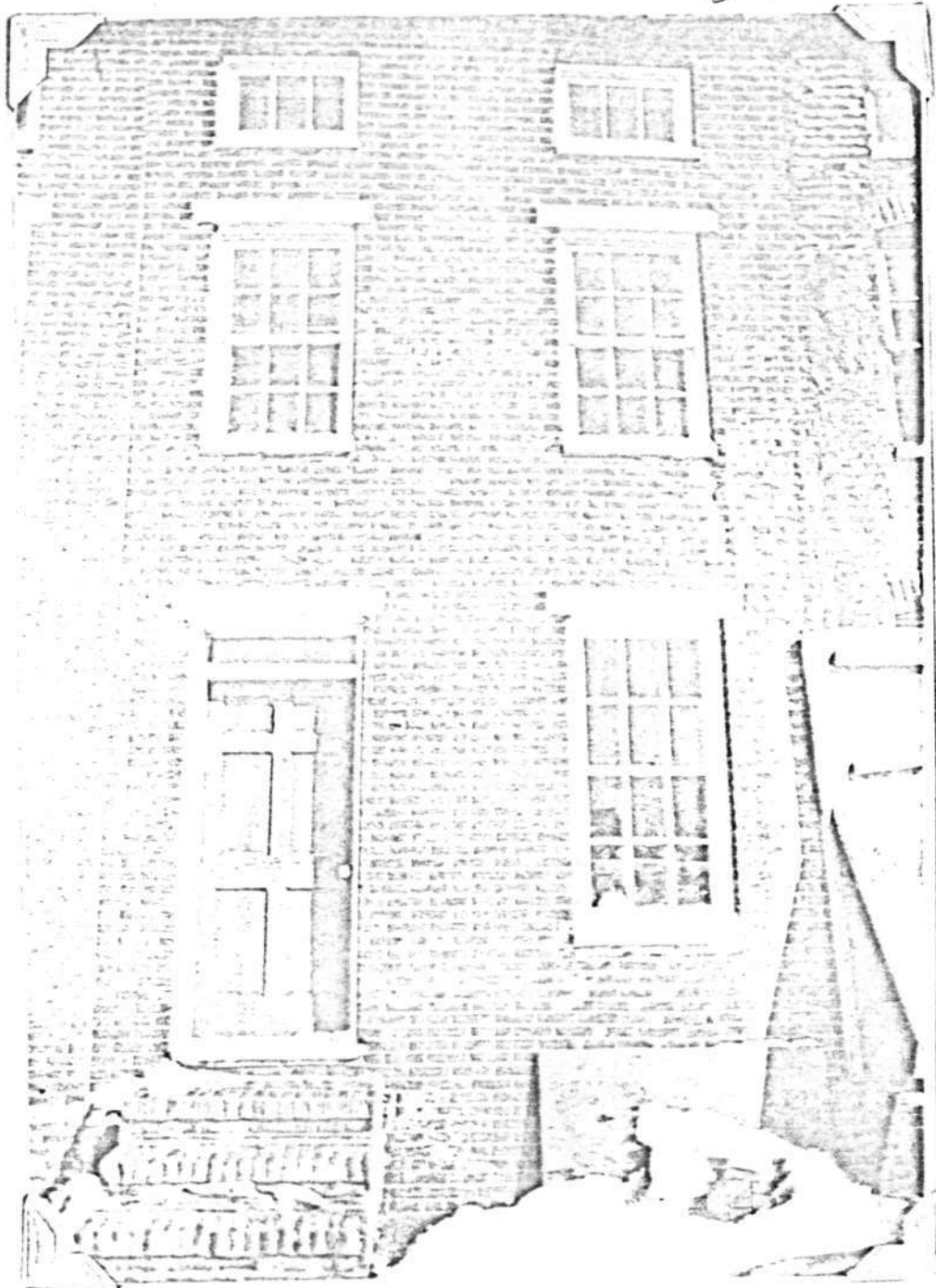
In 1714, a survey was undertaken for a Mr. John Parrish on a tract of land named Brotherly Love. Col. Charles Ridgely resurveyed Brotherly Love in 1732 and combined it with several other tracts of land. One of the tracts was Howard's Timber Neck, which Ridgely's wife Rachel had received as an inheritance from her grandfather, the original patentee (1668). Fremont Avenue was a part of Howard's Timber Neck, which was combined with other tracts to form Ridgely's Delight.

605 S. Fremont Avenue is very typical of the Federal and Italianate style houses that characterized the neighborhood. Important architectural features of the house are its diminishing window size and the loft area. These features can be found on many of the houses in the Ridgely district.

This house sits near the western border of the Ridgely District. From Martin Luther King Jr., Boulevard, the house is very visible and as this thoroughfare is widely used by both Baltimoreans and "out-of-towners", the location and condition of the house is important to the entire district.

Photo #3

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605 S. Fremont Ave.  
Front Facade.